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The reply brief filed February 5, 2007 has been entered and considered. The appeal has been forwarded to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences for decision on the appeal.

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